

# Beaumont Public Library System



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## NATIONAL POETRY MONTH 2021

### Pick-a-Poem During April

- Collect all the poems!
- Johns Library, Main Library,  
R.C. Miller Library, Willard Library
- Pick up at the circulation desk  
each day - FREE!

Branches of the Beaumont Public Library  
System

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## Library Commission Members

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# D.E.A.R DAY CELEBRATION!

**WHERE: YOUR FAVORITE LIBRARY BRANCH**

**WHEN: MONDAY, APRIL 12TH FROM 3:30 TO 5:30**

**WHAT: COME GET COMFY, HAVE A TREAT, AND READ FOR AT LEAST 30 MINUTES TO EARN A CERTIFICATE AND A BOOKMARK!**



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## UPCOMING HOLIDAY CLOSURES

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Good Friday  
Friday, April 2  
Saturday, April 3

Independence Day  
Saturday, July 3  
Monday, July 5

Memorial Day  
Saturday, May 29  
Monday, May 31

Labor Day  
Saturday, September 4  
Monday, September 6

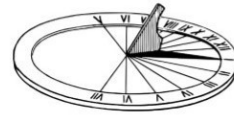
# April Imagination Kits

Weekly take home activities for children  
available @ your library branch!

April 5th-April 10th: Jellybean Painting



April 12th-April 17th: Sundial



April 19th– April 24th: Nature Scavenger Hunt



April 26th-May 1st: Rainbow Patterns



## ZOOM STORY TIME

Join us Wednesdays @ 10:30 am for story time via Zoom



April 7th Colors



April 14th: Favorites

April 21st: Ocean

April 28th: Superhero



**Scan the code to register**





# A WONDERFUL WORLD

This month one of the Imagination Kit activities sends children on a Nature Scavenger Hunt. Go beyond your neighborhood and discover amazing things about our world with these books:

- Nature's Places by World Book J 577 WOR
- My very important world: learn about our incredible planet and the people who live there by DK Publishing J 031 MY
- Ultimate secrets revealed! : a closer look at the weirdest, wildest facts on earth by Drimmer, Stephanie J 031.02 DRI
- Under earth, under water by Mizielinska, Aleksandra J 550 MIZ
- Earth in 30 seconds by Ganeri, Anita J 550 GAN
- Extreme Planet by Butterfield, Moira J 550 BUT

## COMING SOON! Summer Reading Club 2021



**Read for fun and prizes!**  
**Registration begins June 11.**

# Tyrrell Historical Library

The library continues to have three important genealogical databases that are free for patrons to use at the library. They include: **Ancestry Library Edition**, **American Ancestors**, and **Heritage Quest**. Staff can assist patrons with these genealogical database systems when visiting the library to do research.

In addition, the library has available two online web sites for patrons to access via the internet related to the local history contained in its archival collections. The first is a digital portal site that consists of scanned images from specific collections with descriptive background information that describe the historical significance of the item. This particular web site is hosted by OCLC CONTENTdm and can be reached by going directly to the following web address: <http://tyrrellhistoricallibrary.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/>.

The second is an online web site that contains various cataloged collections related to the local history archives of the library. It consists of historical background information with a detailed description of those materials that make-up a given collection. The description of materials for a collection is documented down to the folder level of arrangement. This specific web site is hosted by LYRASIS and is known as ArchivesSpace and can be reached by going to the following web address: <http://archivespace.beaumonttexas.gov>.

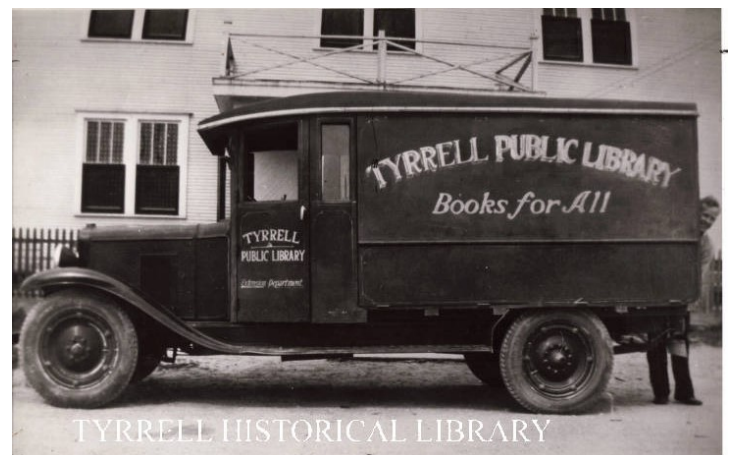
Both of the above two online web sites are excellent sources of information by which a patron can learn more about the rich history that the library has to offer for Beaumont. They can be reached easily through personal computer, laptop, tablet, or smartphone devices via the internet. Access to this online information is on a 24 hour/7 day a week basis. These are two valuable resources open to the public for ready use.

During the past month new content was added to the CONTENTdm hosted site. This digital portal site grew by 156 items. The newly uploaded items were contained in the Sallye J. Keith Papers, and the Glenn Cummings Papers related to Harry Brinkley Bass. The site now comprises over 89,000 items with 103 collections found on it.

Likewise, several more completed electronic finding aids that fully describe archival collections were recently added to the library's ArchivesSpace site hosted by LYRASIS. The newly cataloged collections included: the Juanita Phelps Papers; the Naaman Woodland, Jr. Papers; the Delta Kappa Gamma, Eta Chapter Records; and the Francis Wagner Papers. This site now consists of a total of 88 electronic finding aids found on it.

The library is in continual need of qualified volunteers willing to assist staff in daily operations. Those individuals interested in volunteering are asked to telephone the library and schedule an interview appointment with the branch manager. Please call the library at the following telephone number: (409)833-2759, ext. -3300.

Similarly, the library is always interested in donations of historic materials related to Beaumont and its surrounding communities that comprise the Golden Triangle Region. Patrons who may be interested in making donations of historic materials to the library are asked to contact the library at the following telephone number: (409)833-2759, ext. -3300. Staff will be glad to speak with patrons about possible donations of historic materials to the library.



Tyrrell Public Library Bookmobile—1929.

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Call Your Local Branch for More Information

# CURB SIDE PICKUP



**Main Library (downtown) - Johns Library - R.C. Miller Library -  
Willard Library**



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## CHECK IT OUT!

Weekly Video Book Chat

**BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS**

Adults, Youth, and Kids

Posted Each Week on the BPL FaceBook,  
Instagram, and Twitter!



# Friday Funday Posts

KID'S TRIVIA POST EVERY  
FRIDAY ON OUR FACEBOOK

It's Story Time...

Ms. Robin's Favorites!

Ms. Robin is reading her favorite  
picture books and posting it on  
Facebook. Check back each week  
for a new story!







### LISTEN TO THE 1ST CHAPTER

CHECK OUT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE TO LISTEN TO CHAPTER 1 OF A GREAT NOVEL, AND DECIDE IF YOU'D LIKE TO CHECK IT OUT AND READ THE REST.

#### DAYS POSTED

MONDAY- ADULT FICTION

WEDNESDAY- YOUNG ADULT FICTION

FRIDAY- CHILDREN'S FICTION

FACEBOOK @ BEAUMONT  
PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM



## Maurine Gray Literacy Center

The Maurine Gray Literacy Center is experiencing unprecedented interest in high school equivalency education. We have the largest number of high school equivalency students enrolled and preparing with us right now that we have ever had. We have located a developmental reading curriculum that includes a very significant vocabulary component which is preparing our students to take the reading section of the high school equivalency exam. The students are completing the curriculum rapidly and are enjoying it. It has been so much more efficient than piecing together resources to prepare the students.

In citizenship test news, the government has rolled back its plans to lengthen the citizenship exam. Effective March 1, USCIS reverted to the 2008 version of the test in response to a number of protests regarding the proposed changes to the test that would make the test harder for many

immigrants.

English as a Second Language classes are continuing to grow. If you know anyone in need of our services, we can be reached at 409-835-7924.



# Book Lover's Club

Free Service for Adult & Teen Card Holders

Are you looking for a  
different author or genre?  
Let us pick something  
new for you to read.

Pilot project at the Willard Library.  
Contact the library for more information.

Elmo Willard Branch Library  
3590 East Lucas Drive  
409-892-4988  
[www.beaumontlibrary.org](http://www.beaumontlibrary.org)

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## Friends of the Beaumont Public Library Membership Form

Circle one:

Individual, \$10

Family, \$20

Patron, \$50

Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (with area code): \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: Friends of the Beaumont Public Library.

Mailing address is P.O. Box 5961, Beaumont, TX 77706

# GOLDEN TRIANGLE LINKS INCORPORATED

Golden Triangle Links Incorporated is a partner of the International, not for profit service organization of over 12,000 members committed to improving their communities through friendship and service. Its purpose is threefold: to promote educational, civic, and cultural growth in the communities.

On May 8, 1971, the Golden Triangle Chapter of Links Incorporated received its official charter with eleven members. Since the chapter's inception over forty years ago, the chapter has hosted numerous community events and programs to reflect the National Program facets. Over the years, this chapter has received many awards for outstanding programs related to the Links facets.

Today there are 30+ members of the Golden Triangle Chapter of Links, Incorporated who promote friendship, service and growth in the communities of Port Arthur, Beaumont, Orange, and the surrounding areas.

On February 24—27, 2021 the Arts Committee presented and had residents participate in a community scavenger hunt. Landmarks, buildings, and historical markers were the focal points as answers to the clues given. Participants were sighted around the city taking selfies and posting on Facebook @gtlinks! It was loads of fun and facts! Winners received a variety of gift baskets from local vendors and businesses.

The Golden Triangle Links support and partner with various national, international and local movements. Many organizations have benefited from the Golden Triangle Links, including National Heart Association, Some Other Place, SETX Food Bank, Gift of Life, National Bone Marrow Program, Habitat for Humanity, Black Lives Matter, Texas Voter Registration, Secret Santa Project, and AARP; just to name a few areas that receive labor, love and friendship from the members of this chapter of the Links Incorporated.

Every year the GTLinks award deserving senior high school graduates for their accomplishments. Each year four participating graduates from West Brook Memorial and West Orange Stark high schools are recipients of the scholarship and a mentor who supports them throughout the college experience. The scholarships are funded by a Jazz Brunch and a Zydeco Dance held at a local venue.



Link members enjoying the Jazz Scholarship Brunch.

The Golden Triangle Chapter, Links Incorporated may be contacted on Facebook @gtlinks. You can visit the webpage:

[Goldentrianglelinks.org](http://Goldentrianglelinks.org)

[www.goldentrianglelinks.org](http://www.goldentrianglelinks.org)

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The one-tap reading app from our college library.



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# Libraries

## Beaumont Public Library

409-838-6606

801 Pearl Street

Monday—Friday 9:00am—6:00pm

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## Maurine Gray Literacy Center

Barbara Beard, MLS, Branch Manager

801 Pearl Street

Monday—Friday 9:00am—6:00pm

409-835-7924.

## Tyrrell Historical Library

Bill Grace, MLS, Branch Manager

409-833-2759

695 Pearl Street

Monday—Friday 9:00am—6:00pm

<http://tyrrellhistoricallibrary.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/>

## Theodore Johns Branch Library

Shanon Welch, MLS, Branch Manager

409-842-5223

4255 Fannett Road

Monday—Thursday 9:00am—6:00pm

Friday & Saturday 9:00am—6:00pm

## R.C. Miller Memorial Library

Amy Keyes, MLS, Branch Manager

409-866-9487

1605 Dowlen Road

Monday—Thursday 9:00am—6:00pm

Friday & Saturday 9:00am—6:00pm

## Elmo Willard Branch Library

Geri Roberts, MLS, Assistant Library Administrator

409-892-4988

3590 East Lucas Drive

Monday—Thursday 9:00am—6:00pm

Friday & Saturday 9:00am—6:00pm

